



HAZARDOUS MATERIALS TEAM (HAZ-MAT)

The Lynchburg Fire & EMS Department's Haz-Mat Team provides the citizens of Lynchburg with an innovative approach for resolution of life safety situations involving hazardous materials.

We are proud that we now have advanced planning and management services for chemical releases in the Lynchburg area.

The Haz-Mat Team provides the ability to take an offensive approach to unplanned releases of hazardous materials.

Some incidents may still require the response of a Regional Haz-Mat Team; however, Lynchburg's Team effectively decreases critical time delays before more aggressive actions can be taken. This will favorably change the outcome of a chemical release in the Lynchburg area.

If you witness a possible hazardous substance leak or accident in the Lynchburg area, call 911.



*Haz-Mat Team Members Perform
Nine-Step Decontamination Training*

HAZ-MAT TEAM CAPABILITIES

- ✓ Ability to control a hazardous substance spill or leak
- ✓ Ability to assess and manage container damage
- ✓ Ability to detect and monitor hazardous atmospheres
- ✓ Ability to work at transportation or fixed facility emergencies
- ✓ Ability to use advanced chemical protective clothing
- ✓ Ability to decontaminate personnel during exposures

The Haz-Mat Team operates in compliance with governmental regulations and professional standards.

In the future, members of the Haz-Mat Team will offer additional Haz-Mat related training for all Lynchburg Fire & EMS personnel.

HAZ-MAT TEAM PROFILE

The Haz-Mat Team was developed in 1999 and operates a self-contained response unit from Lakeside Drive Fire Station #7.

The team consists of 21 technicians who perform these special operations in addition to their firefighting and EMS duties with the Lynchburg Fire & EMS Department.